

Geography & Planning

Undergraduate Scholarships and Awards

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Listed below are the scholarships, awards and grants that undergraduate Geography students are eligible for. To view updated information, please refer to the Scholarships and Awards binder available at your College Registrar or at any department. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts and Science website at www.artsci.utoronto.ca/current/scholarships.

Please note that applications are required **only for grants**, not for awards or scholarships. When applying, please clearly indicate which grant you would like to be considered for. **An application includes a letter to the Chair that explains your current financial need and educational background. Submit to the Undergraduate Counsellor by Oct 1, or Feb 1.**

Alpar Scholarship

Awarded to a senior student enrolled in a Specialist or Major program offered by the Department of Geography who has demonstrated excellence in his or her studies. This scholarship is in honour of the late Zehra Alpar, the Department's student advisor from 1967-1994.

Alpar Grant

Awarded to a student enrolled in a Specialist or a Major program offered by the Department of Geography who is making good progress to the completion of the degree requirements. Financial need must be considered. Academic merit may also be considered. Awarded twice a year in compliance with OSOTF (Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund) guidelines whereby grant-recipients must meet the financial need requirements: students must be deemed eligible to receive OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program) during the academic sessions in which the grant is awarded. Apply* to the Chair, Department of Geography by October 1 or February 1. In your application, please include detailed information about your current financial situation.

Edward Blake Scholarship in Science

Awarded to a student in second or third year with an A average, enrolled in a program offered by the Department of Geography. This scholarship was created from a gift of the late Hon. Edward Blake, Chancellor of the University, 1876-1900. This award is presented to a geography student in alternate years.

Canadian Association of Geographers Award

This award is given to the most outstanding student graduating from an honours or major program in the Department of Geography.

William G. Dean Scholarship in Geography for Field Research

Awarded to one or more students enrolled in a specialist or major program in the Department of Geography for field research. Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit and financial need.

Geography Toronto Award

The University of Toronto Association of Geography Alumni (UTAGA) provides this award to a graduating student who has made an outstanding contribution to the life of the Geography Department. Award winners are individuals who have been extensively involved in the undertaking of extra-curricular activities targeted at fellow geography students, while at the same time achieving above average academic success.

The F. Kenneth Hare Scholarship in the Environment

Awarded to an outstanding student in their third or fourth year of study in either the Environmental Geography or Physical and Environmental Geography programs. Preference will be given to students registered in Trinity College. Financial need may be considered.

John Horner Award

Awarded to an undergraduate student in the Department of Geography based on academic merit. Financial need will also be considered.

Anne McMaster Grant

Awarded on the basis of financial need to a student in a Major or Specialist program in the Department of Geography, at the discretion of the Chair, for such costs as departmental field trips, field courses, professional experience courses, independent research expenses, etc. Academic merit may also be considered. Awarded twice a year. Please note that students do not have to be OSAP eligible in order to be considered. Apply* to the Chair, Department of Geography, by October 1 or February 1. In your application, please include detailed information about your current financial situation. The fund was established in honour of the retirement of Anne McMaster, former business officer, who provided over 27 years of outstanding service to the Department.

Anne McMaster OSOTF Grant

Awarded to a student in a Major or Specialist program in the Department of Geography, at the discretion of the Chair, for such costs as departmental field trips, field courses, professional experience courses, independent research expenses, etc. Financial need must be considered. Academic merit may also be considered. Awarded twice a year in compliance with OSOTF (Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund) guidelines whereby grant-recipients must meet the financial need requirements: students must be deemed eligible to receive OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program) during the academic sessions in which the grant is awarded. Apply* to the Chair, Department of Geography, by October 1 or February 1. In your application, please include detailed information about your current financial situation.

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award

UTAGA applauds and encourages those students who make the effort to undertake independent research at the undergraduate level. This award is presented by UTAGA to the most outstanding research project undertaken for GGR491Y, undergraduate thesis course.

Donald Putnam Scholarship

Awarded to a student graduating with a GPA of at least 3.50 over the last ten credits who has completed a Major or Specialist program offered by the Department. First consideration will be given to Woodsworth College students. If there are no Woodsworth College candidates then the Department will select the recipient. This scholarship was established in honour of the late Professor Donald Putnam, the Department's Head from 1951 to 1963.

Ben Shindman Scholarship

Awarded to a student who has completed their third year with an A average, and is enrolled in a Specialist or double Major program offered by the Department of Geography. The recipient must enrol in the fourth year of the program. This scholarship was created in honour of the late Benjamin Shindman, one of the Department's top students in the 1940s.

Sydney and Lucille Silver Scholarship

This award is given to a student with an A average, in the third year of a Specialist or double Major program in environmental studies. This scholarship was established by family members in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Silver's 50th wedding anniversary.

Griffith Taylor Memorial Award

Awarded to an outstanding student graduating from a four-year program with either a Major or Specialist in the Department of Geography, who has exhibited all-round excellence over the course of the program. This award is in honour of the late Griffith Taylor who founded the Department of Geography at the University of Toronto, and served as its head from 1935-1951.

Undergraduate Computer Applications Award

This award was created by UTAGA, and is presented to a senior student who has exhibited excellent scholarship incorporating computer applications.

Daniel Wilson Scholarship in Science (Geography/Geology)

Awarded to a student in second or third year with an A average, enrolled in a program offered by the Department of Geography. This scholarship was created in honour of the late Sir Daniel Wilson, President of University College, 1890-1892. This award is presented to a geography student in alternate years.